## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA CASE NO. 23-21309-CV-WILLIAMS

BEVERLY PERRI,	
Plaintiff,	
V.	
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES, LTD.,	
Defendant.	

## **ORDER**

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Magistrate Judge Lisette M. Reid's Report and Recommendation (DE 62) ("Report") on Defendant Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd.'s ("Defendant") Motion for Summary Judgment (DE 34) ("Motion"). In the Report, Judge Reid recommends that the Court deny Defendant's Motion. (DE 62 at 1.) Specifically, Judge Reid finds that "unclear testimony together with the CCTV footage showing the crewmember placing his hands on the handlebars create a question of fact for the jury to decide." (Id. At 9.) Defendant filed Objections to the Report (DE 67) ("Objections"), to which Plaintiff filed a Response (DE 69). Specifically, Defendant objects to Judge Reid's factual findings that the CCTV footage and the crewmember's deposition were unclear and Judge Reid's conclusion that genuine issues of fact as to causation remain. (DE 67 at 1–2.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On November 20, 2023, the Court referred Defendant's Motion to Judge Reid for a report and recommendation. (DE 38.)

The Court conducted a de novo review of the portions of the Report to which

Defendant objected and a review of the Report for clear error. The Court finds that,

despite Defendant's assertions, the CCTV footage does not decisively establish that the

crewmember did not cause the scooter to move. Similarly, the Court finds that the

crewmember's deposition contains unclear statements that create a question of fact for

the jury to decide.

Having carefully reviewed the Report, Objections, record, and applicable law, the

Court agrees with Judge Reid's well-reasoned analysis and conclusion that Defendant's

Motion be denied. Accordingly, it is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

1. The Report (DE 62) is **AFFIRMED AND ADOPTED.** 

2. Defendant's Motion (DE 34) is **DENIED**.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers in Miami, Florida, this <u>12th</u> day of March,

2024.

KATHLEEN M. WILLIAMS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE